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ROBER STANAMED INVENTOR SERVES CHUMBERS FINDS SATES ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. 1118A KISHORE, EXAMINER JAMES A. ARNO PATENT DEPARTMENT ALCON LABORATORIES, INC. ART UNIT PAPER NUMBER 6201 SOUTH FREEWAY 1502 FORT WORTH, TX 76134 11/21/91 DATE MAILED: This is a communication from the examiner in charge of your application, COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS 10_7-91 This action is made final. This application has been examined Responsive to communication filed on____ Failure to respond within the period for response will cause the application to become abandoned. 35 U.S.C. 133 Part 1 THE FOLLOWING ATTACHMENT(S) ARE PART OF THIS ACTION: 2. Notice re Patent Drawing, PTO-948. 1. Notice of References Cited by Examiner, PTO-892. 4. Notice of Informal Patent Application, Form PTO-152 3. Notice of Art Cited by Applicant, PTO-1449. 5. Information on How to Effect Drawing Changes, PTO-1474. Part II SUMMARY OF ACTION 1. Claims 1, 2, 4, 6 - 24 Of the above, claims _____6 - 24 are withdrawn from consideration. 2. Claims have been cancelled. 3. Claims 4. 🗵 Claims _____ \ — 5 5. Claims ______ 6. Claims ___ are subject to restriction or election requirement. 27: This application has been filed with informal drawings under 37 C.F.R. 1.85 which are acceptable for examination purposes. 8. Formal drawings are required in response to this Office action. 9. . The corrected or substitute drawings have been received on _ . Under 37 C.F.R. 1.84 these drawings are acceptable; not acceptable (see explanation or Notice re Patent Drawing, PTO-948). examiner; . disapproved by the examiner (see explanation). 11. The proposed drawing correction, filed _ ____, has been
approved; disapproved (see explanation). .12. 🔲 Acknowledgement is made of the claim for priority under U.S.C. 119. The certified copy has. 🛘 been received 📘 not been received been filed in parent application, serial no. ___ __ ; filed on _ 13. Since this application apppears to be in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under Ex parte Quayle, 1935 C.D. 11; 453 O.G. 213. 14. Other

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Applicants' request for the extension of time and the amendment which include the cancellation of claims 3 and 5, filed on 10/07/91 are acknowledged.

In view of applicants' amendment to claims the rejection of claims under 35 USC 112, first paragraph is withdrawn.

The obvious-type double patenting rejection over US Patent No. 4,939,135 however, is maintained since applicants have not yet filed a terminal disclaimer.

THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL. Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a).

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR RESPONSE TO THIS FINAL ACTION IS SET TO EXPIRE THREE MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS ACTION. IN THE EVENT A FIRST RESPONSE IS FILED WITHIN TWO MONTHS OF THE MAILING DATE OF THIS FINAL ACTION AND THE ADVISORY ACTION IS NOT MAILED UNTIL AFTER THE END OF THE THREE-MONTH SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD, THEN THE SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD WILL EXPIRE ON THE DATE THE ADVISORY ACTION IS MAILED, AND ANY EXTENSION FEE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) WILL BE CALCULATED FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THE ADVISORY ACTION. IN NO EVENT WILL THE STATUTORY PERIOD FOR RESPONSE EXPIRE LATER THAN SIX MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS FINAL ACTION.

Any inquiry concerning this communication should be directed to G. S. Kishore Ph.D. at telephone number (703) 308-2440.

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